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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application: Hogendoorn, Paul
Serial No.: 09/862,800
Filed: 05/21/2001
Group Art Unit: 3691
Examiner: Kazimi, Hani M.
For: DUTCH AUCTION SYSTEM WITH PREREGISTERED
BID FEATURE

RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed on November 29, 2006.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and requests a corrected Office Action. The Office Action only treats claims 17-26 as if they were pending. There is no indication whether the Examiner considers claims 27-31 to be allowable. In order for Applicant to decide how to proceed with the prosecution of this application, Applicant needs to know what the Examiner's opinion is regarding those claims.

With regard to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims clearly recite the configuration of the claimed terminal such that the